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Today's Topics:

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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Thu, 5 May 1994 14:29:34 GMT
From: pacbell.com!att-out!walter!dancer.cc.bellcore.com!not-for-mail@ames.arpa
Subject: 1994 Field Day info
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1994May4.172348.14466@gov.nt.ca>,
John Boudreau <ve8ev@gov.nt.ca> wrote:

>Where can I get info on the rules for Field Day this year?
>I tried the usual ftp sites and the best I could come up with
>was 1992. Is this info usually posted prior to the event?
>Do you need to have the official forms to enter?
>Please reply direct or to the group,
>Thanks,
>John Boudreau VE8EV INTERNET: ve8ev@amsat.org
>Inuvik, NWT, CANADA PACKET: VE8EV@KL7GNG.#NAK.AK.USA.NA

The information/rules is in the May 1994 issue of QST
magazine, pages 132 and 133.

I don't know if anyone posts them to this forum or to an
arrl FTP site for electronic distribution.

Hope that helps.

Standard Disclaimer- Any opinions, etc. are mine and NOT my employer's.

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Date: Thu, 5 May 1994 14:26:24 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!uchinews!
kimbark!khopper@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: [Q] your opinion for BEST HF PacTOR rig ?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I saved a few \$\$\$. Currently using a Ten Tec Omni-V and looking
for an upgrade to a new rig. {I don't hear anything about a new
OMNI-7 ?? did anyone pick up on any rumors at Dayton ??}

What do you recommend for HF PacTOR ? something that will grow
with new PacTOR modes (PSK ?), run 300 baud G-TOR and have sufficient
audio bandpass, filters selection etc ?.

I see that only the Yaesu has a "RTTY" and "Packet" connector on
the back of the rig. But since most of PacTOR is/will be LSB and
not use the FSK capabilities of the rig - is there an advantage ?

Any suggestions welcomed.

TNX,

Ken Hopper,

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November 9 Vivid Video |o o _/ o o|
HF - CW,PacTOR,RTTY,SSTV |o o @ o o|
khopper@midway.uchicago.edu |_____|

Date: 5 May 94 19:45:48 GMT
From: agate!howland.reston.ans.net!usenet.ins.cwru.edu!ns.mcs.kent.edu!
kira.cc.uakron.edu!malgudi.oar.net!hypnos!voxbox!jgrubs@ucbvax.berkeley.edu
Subject: Amateur Radio and Civil Rights
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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cww@zycor.lgc.com (Chris Walker) writes:

> Repeatedly, Amateur Radio has proven itself to be an effective means to
> provide volunteer help in emergencies.

Don't think for a minute that the role of ham radio in the coup attempt in Russia was lost on those who are working to restrict our individual freedoms in order to advance their collectivist agenda. This may not be strictly on topic, but at the same time we ignore the current trend at our peril. Remember, one of the early moves Hitler (who was ELECTED to power, by the way) and Stalin did to consolidate power and stifle opposition was to ban ham radio!

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Date: 05 May 1994 15:13:20 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!noc.near.net!info-server.bbn.com!
news!levin@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Amateur Radio and Civil Rights
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1994May4.233042.11791@lgc.com> cww@zycor.lgc.com (Chris Walker)
writes:
stuff.

Keep this stuff out of r.r.a.m -- put it in policy, keep it in guns,
move it to alt.flame if you want, but it don't go here. Thanks

73 / J
KD10N

(Followups adujsted.)

Date: 5 May 1994 13:13:19 GMT
From: pacbell.com!ohlone.kn.PacBell.COM!jlundgre@ames.arpa
Subject: Anyone interested in talking about frequency standards?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Maybe you should drop the NIST formerly NBS a line. Their address id
given out on the hour by WWV 'on 2.5, 5, 10, 15, and 20 MHZ...' in
Colorado. Obviously you listen to WWV if you're interested it precision
timekeeping and accurate frequencies...

Date: 5 May 94 15:06:46 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!noc.near.net!news.delphi.com!
BIX.com!hamilton@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Best code-speed improvement tapes?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

nsayer@quack.kfu.com (Nick Sayer) writes:

>Hi. I'm an Advanced class ham. I was once a VE (I still have the badge
>and it hasn't expired, so I suppose I still am), but as an Advanced
>all I can do is participate in giving 1(A), 2 and 3(A) (if memory
>serves). For this reason alone (my prefered HF mode is F1B, so I don't
>care about the extra 125 kHz of real estate and I don't plan on launching
>a satellite anytime soon) I have decided to try for 20 words again.
>I don't mind telling anyone that my current code speed is about 7
>wpm, but it's not like I need to learn the alphabet over again. What's
>the best tape or perhaps series of tapes to use to prepare for 20 (I
>have a 20-30 minute commute each morning, so that seems like the best
>opportunity to try and do something about my code speed since I'm not

>currently on HF)?

Without question, the ARRL tapes are the best. I bought some others (e.g., Ameco) but they were terrible both in production quality and in terms of the presentation. The ARRL tapes really work. Ten or 15 minutes a day and you'll be moving right along.

I started with the ARRL Into to the Morse code tape about Christmas, worked thru that and the 5 to 10 WPM tapes next and took my 5 wpm and 13 wpm tests in Feb. Frankly, I think it was a fluke that I passed 13 then, but I have been continuing to practice with the tapes (I'm finishing up the 10 to 15 WPM tapes now) and certainly, that same 13 wpm test today would be trivial.

Obviously, as they say about mutual funds, past performance is no guarantee of the future, but my sense of how it's going is that if I continue the same way, practicing a little bit here and there as I have time, 20 wpm should be attainable by around the fall.

Regards,

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Date: 5 May 94 22:20:30 GMT
From: agate!howland.reston.ans.net!wupost!waikato!midland.co.nz!bbs!
Peter.Cague@ucbvax.berkeley.edu
Subject: ctvdsk.drv
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hi all

I'm looking for this driver for use with my ZyXEL to enable the soundBlaster card I have can any body help at all?
ctvdsk.drv

This file has to be in the Zfax home directory to let me use the SB card.

Thanks for any help

Cheers
Peter

Nite Caller BBS

Date: 5 May 94 08:18:37 EDT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!usenet.ins.cwru.edu!news.ysu.edu!
malgudi.oar.net!mercury.wright.edu!desire.wright.edu!matrix.cs.wright.edu!
isoper@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Gun Owners ... never mind.d.7
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <9405041946.AA26010@umassmed.UMMED.EDU>, sbaker@umassmed.UMMED.EDU
(Stephen Baker) writes:

> I fired off a nastygram to the Gun Owner author and cc.'d his postmaster. The
> postmaster responded thanking me and indicating he had already "had a word"
> with the originator and that it had been a mistake which will not be repeated.
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I am posting this nastygram so everyone can read.

Who died and left you as the guardian of Civil Rights?

It is hard to believe Mass. was the one the leading colonies
to throw off British Oppression in the 1700s when so many
oppressionist themselves live there today.

Further more, you comments by your own guideline are entirely
out of context and should not be posted. Maybe you Postmaster
needs to be notified as well.

Wes Soper

Date: 5 May 94 21:15:55 GMT
From: rit!isc-newsserver!ultb!jdc3538@cs.rochester.edu
Subject: Gun Owners ... never mind.d.7
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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>Stephen P. Baker phone: (508) 856-2625
>(etc.)

Let's lighten up, guys. There are enough anal retentives already.
If your newsreader shows the heading of an article that obviously
doesn't belong, just say 'n' (or whatever). In most newsreaders
positive action must be taken to see an article, so you asked
for it...

On the other hand, the writers of the Constitution protected firearm
ownership because placing power in the hands of citizens is the only
way to defend liberty. And placing effective communications in the
hands of ordinary citizens is another way to bypass Big Brother.

Just think of the AR-15 as a logical accessory for your
now-illegal assault scanner...

73...Jim N2VNO

Date: 5 May 1994 15:32:05 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!wupost!crcnis1.unl.edu!
unlinfo.unl.edu!gbrown@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Gun Owners: Protect your Rights!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Michael P. Deignan (md@maxcy2.maxcy.brown.edu) wrote:

: MINKC@LAKEHURST.NAVY.MIL writes:

: > Typical of you NRA wackos, you have abused the media by placing
: > this issue in an amateur radio forum to make your absurd case.
: > No one needs assault weapons. Any one with any sense will urge
: > congress to BAN ALL ASSAULT WEAPONS immediately.
: > Wake up.

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: this issue in an amateur radio forum to make your absurd case.
: No one needs free speech. Any one with any sense will urge congress
: to BAN ALL FREE SPEECH immediately.

: Wake up.

: MD

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: -- Michael P. Deignan
: -- Amalgamated Baby Seal Poachers Union, Local 101
: -- "Get 'The Club'... Endorsed by Baby Seal poachers everywhere..."

Michael:

Your rejoinder, though misguided and sad, at least was marginally creative. Your signature-quote, however, is sickening. Next time you'll probably entertain us all with some dead-baby jokes.

One of the great aspects of amateur radio is that it reflects a cross-section of society...one of the lesser aspects is that we all get to see that reflection clearly on a regular basis, and there are occasionally more pimples than we'd like to see.

Gregory Brown WB0RTK

Date: Thu, 5 May 1994 15:32:13 GMT
From: pacbell.com!att-out!cbnews1!ajg@ames.arpa
Subject: International Callsign
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I am so excited! I had my first international QSO with station LU2LB in Argentina. How do I lookup this callsign so I can send him a QSL card?

Thanks for your help!

73,

Tony Gaeta

N2NKC

Date: Thu, 5 May 1994 23:42:53 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!cs.utexas.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!EU.net!sunic!trane.uninett.no!eunet.no!nuug!nac.no!ifi.uio.no!wabbit.cc.uow.edu.au!news.ci.com.au!metro!ipso!rwc@@.
Subject: IPS Daily Report - 05 May 94
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

SUBJ: IPS DAILY SOLAR AND GEOPHYSICAL REPORT

ISSUED AT 5/2330Z MAY 1994 BY IPS RADIO AND SPACE SERVICES
FROM THE REGIONAL WARNING CENTRE (RWC), SYDNEY.
SUMMARY FOR 5 MAY AND FORECAST UP TO 8 MAY

IPS Warning 12 was issued on 25 APR and is still current.

1A. SOLAR SUMMARY

Activity: very low

Flares: none.

Observed 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number : 073/009

1B. SOLAR FORECAST

	06 May	07 May	08 May
Activity	Very low	Very low	Very low
Fadeouts	None expected	None expected	None expected

Forecast 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number : 072/008

1C. SOLAR COMMENT

None.

2A. MAGNETIC SUMMARY

Geomagnetic field at Learmonth: unsettled to active

Estimated Indices : A	K	Observed A Index 4 May
Learmonth	19 334- ----	
Fredericksburg	25	20
Planetary	30	23

Observed Kp for 4 May: 4543 4433

2B. MAGNETIC FORECAST

DATE	Ap	CONDITIONS
06 May	22	Unsettled to active.
07 May	20	Unsettled to active.
08 May	20	Unsettled to active.

2C. MAGNETIC COMMENT

None.

3A. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION SUMMARY

	LATITUDE BAND		
DATE	LOW	MIDDLE	HIGH

05 May normal normal fair

PCA Event : None.

3B. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION FORECAST

LATITUDE BAND

DATE	LOW	MIDDLE	HIGH
06 May	normal	fair	poor
07 May	normal	fair	poor
08 May	normal	fair	poor

3C. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION COMMENT

NONE.

4A. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC SUMMARY

MUFs at Sydney were near normal, with spread F 10-20UT and a 30% depression 15-17UT.

Observed T index for 05 May: 16

Predicted Monthly T Index for May is 30.

4B. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC FORECAST

DATE	T-index	MUFs
06 May	20	Near predicted monthly values.
07 May	25	Near predicted monthly values.
08 May	25	Near predicted monthly values.

4C. AUSTRALIAN REGION COMMENT

None.

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IPS Regional Warning Centre, Sydney	IPS Radio and Space Services
email: rwc@ips.oz.au fax: +61 2 4148331	PO Box 5606
RWC Duty Forecaster tel: +61 2 4148329	West Chatswood NSW 2057
Recorded Message tel: +61 2 4148330	AUSTRALIA

Date: 5 May 1994 21:15:37 -0400

From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!cs.utexas.edu!convex!news.duke.edu!eff!news.kei.com!

ddsw1!panix!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Looking for Icom 551 Opinions & Sellers

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I am looking for:

- 1) Comments about the Icom 551 6M multimode from people who have experience with that radio. I know very little about it. Is the transmitter clean? What about receiver sensitivity and selectivity? (I want it primarily for use at a multiop contest station which is running pretty fair power on other bands. I thus want a receiver that hears well but won't get trashed and I want a transmitter that won't trash the other bands). Is it reliable? Is the firmware going to disappear when the lithium battery goes dead? I assume that it is capable of FM, for both simplex and repater use. Are there option boards to look for (filters, CTCSS, etc)? Does it come in high and low power models (A & H)? What kind of power output can I expect? Is it adjustable? Is there else anything I should know about it before buying one? What is the going price for a 551 in good condition?
- 2) Somebody who has a 551 to sell (presuming that I hear the right answers to the above questions).

-Thanx

Date: 5 May 1994 16:03:30 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!prairienet.org!
dhughes@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: New HAMS.. need license date info
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I saw a post recently that said the FCC was taking 120 days (17 weeks!) to get licenses out, and that they have not yet gotten to the new 610's in their processing procedure.

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Date: 6 May 94 19:55:52 GMT
From: VNET.IBM.COM@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Phase-3D
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Any of you has any information on Phase-3D which is planned to be launched some time 96. I am particularly interested in what sort of Packet Radio facility will be equipped. (freq, modulation, power etc.)
VK2YT Joe Tateno in Sydney

Date: 05 May 1994 15:09:06 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!emory!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!howland.reston.ans.net!
noc.near.net!info-server.bbn.com!news!levin@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Rochester, NH Hamfest
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <2q8tu2\$bu8@dartvax.dartmouth.edu> Kenneth.E.Harker@Dartmouth.Edu
(Kenneth E. Harker) writes:

I may be going to the Rochester, NH hamfest this weekend.
However, I just took another look at the New England hamfest list, and
I see the note that says:

\$20@9AM \$5@3PM

Admission is \$20 Friday until 3pm, and \$5 thereafter. Either way it's
good for both days, so unless you want to be there earlier on Friday,
\$5 will get you everything. It's meant to bag mostly sellers, but
also anyone wanting an early look at the goods; most people will go
for Friday evening and Saturday for a single \$5 entry fee.

Anyone know if this means entry fee to get in and buy, or a seller's
fee? If it's going to cost me \$20 just to get in and look around (plus
\$10 in gas to get there and back), I'm not going. I can't afford to
buy much of anything anyway...

See you there (if I can get away :-()

/JBL

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Nets: levin@bbn.com | "There were sweetheart roses on Yancey Wilmerding's
POTS: (617)873-3463 | bureau that morning. Wide-eyed and distraught, she
KD10N (@KB4N.NH.USA) | stood with all her faculties rooted to the floor."
| -- S. J. Perelman

Date: 6 May 94 10:01:05 GMT
From: agate!howland.reston.ans.net!math.ohio-state.edu!jussieu.fr!univ-lyon1.fr!
elendir@ucbvax.berkeley.edu
Subject: TM5TSM Chunnel opening ham callsign
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hi !

Today, the chunnel France-England is finally opened. To commemorate this

"historic event" (?) the special callsign TM5TSM has been granted for the French side, while G0CT will be active in England.

Both callsigns are valid today and throughout the week-end.

Frequencies are as follow :

CW : 3.520 - 7.020 - 14.020 - 21 - 28.020 - 144.080 - 432.080

SSB: 3.660 - 7.060 - 14.270 - 21.270 - 28.670 - 144.230 - 432.230

FM : 145.450 - 433.500

A special quadricromic QSL card bearing the callsign of both stations will be sent.

Vince, F1RCS

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ENST - Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Telecommunications, Paris, France

Date: 6 May 94 03:20:26 GMT

From: agate!usenet.ins.cwru.edu!magnus.acs.ohio-state.edu!csn!col.hp.com!srngenprp!
pazar@ucbvax.berkeley.edu

Subject: Was this a bad idea?

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

You did the right thing...no question about it. I'm certain the folks that needed immediate medical care would think so as well.

Peoples lives are FAR more important than "rules" (in my opinion).

* STEVE PAZAR DoD #702 Kawasaki KZ440A

* E-mail: pazar@hpnmdla.sr.hp.com

* Ether: WA4DUT/6

* Stupid is forever, ignorance can be fixed...

Date: 5 May 1994 15:10:58 GMT

From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!cs.utexas.edu!convex!news.duke.edu!eff!news.umbc.edu!
haven.umd.edu!umd5.umd.edu!mark@network.ucsd.edu

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <YEE.94May4123149@mipgsun.mipg.upenn.edu>, <2q9abe\$bd@korrd.usc.edu>,
<1994May4.233042.11791@lgc.com>umd

Subject : Re: Amateur Radio and Civil Rights

In article <1994May4.233042.11791@lgc.com>,
Chris Walker <cww@zycor.lgc.com> wrote:

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>Amateur radio is a highly regulated communications medium, unlike internet.
>Radio operators are getting a favor from the federal government that is in
>their personal interest to maintain.

I've been thinking of getting into ham radio recently, and I keep seeing
references to this "favor" the government is doing. What exactly
is this favor?

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